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DISTRICT CROPPINGS

And Other Items of Interest in a General Way

Mrs. W. Taynton, of Windermere, is visiting Mrs. E. J. Scovil at Wilmer.

Police Officer Cameron spent a couple days in the Athalmer jail last week, charged with la grippe—that is his usual place of abode.

Sir Hibbert Tapper has been elected president of the Liberal-Conservative party of British Columbia, vice John Houston.

The prospects for a road up Number Three creek and the re-opening of Toby road to North Fork does not look very encouraging with only $6,000 in sight.

Jos. Lake left Athalmer on Thursday morning last for Golden, taking with him several thousand dollars worth of fur, which he will ship east. He is doing a big business in fur this winter.

Fort Steele is not allowed money to paint its government buildings and yet the Prospector is whooping it up for the same government. There's nothing like being loyal to your party, even should your town suffer.

The United States women object to Senator Smoot having more than one wife. Seeing that divorce is easy in that country and women are in the majority it is strange they should object. The men have room for serious objections though.

Much Wisdom.—British Columbia should have a Hansard system of reporting the proceedings of the Legislature. The tax payers are entitled to a bonafide record, instead of being compelled to rely upon partisan reports in party organs.—Cranbrook Herald.

The $6,000 allowed Columbia district for public works next summer looks mighty small compared with the needs of this big district. Either one of the first two roads likely to receive attention needs the expenditure of the full amount to say nothing of the repairs that must received attention.

There are one or two men in this district cowardly enough to strike and abuse a woman. If it happens again it is to be hoped a few men will be found brave enough to dip the brutes in the lake or administer a good horse-whipping—either is good medicine for such degraded specimens of humanity.

F. L. Snook, manager of the Wilmer Lumber Co., left here Saturday morning for Golena with four teams and men to bring up the boiler and part of the machinery for the new saw mill. If the present snow lasts there should be little trouble experienced in the undertaking. The company now has thousands of logs ready to cut and there should be no trouble in getting plenty of lumber for building purposes this year.

A. R. Yates and F. C. Stockdale left for Fort Steele on Sunday afternoon in connection with Masonic matters. It is stated that they have rode the Columbia Lodge goat to a stand still and have gone down to see if the Steele goat is more frisky, if it is, it is said, they will order one of the same breed immediately. A goat that our bronco-busters can't ride will have to be of extra good breed. In fact our humble opinion is that even the Masons, after centuries of experience in goat breeding, cannot produce anything our boys can't ride.

War with Russia and Japan now seems inevitable.

P. Perkins has been seriously ill since Sunday with inflamation of the lungs.

Wonder if the new Conservative president believes in paying the printer?

Owing to the heavy snow fall between Golden and Galena the stage was a day late.

There is now about four inches of snow here and sleighing is good. The thermometer has been down to 15 below zero one or two nights.

The big air pipes that have been at the Wilmer river landing for many months were hauled up to the Ptarmigan Mines last week.

Bellamy puts it this way: "You might have a man fined for dashing a cup of cold water out of your hand, but he can legally acquire the spring and you must die of thirst or pay him his price for the water.

Rumor has it that the Ptarmigan Mines will start work again in a short time. No person will give any reason for believing the rumor, but many say they believe it is correct. Of course, everyone believes the shutdown is no fault of the mine and that the reasons must be entirely effecting the owners, who have spent a vast sum of money in developing the property. At such a time as this, when the entire district is effected, it is pleasing to note that not one person has found any fault with the syndicate or its management. Indeed, every man in this district has a good word for the manager and everyone expresses the hope that the owners may be successful and be rewarded for the enterprize and faith they have shown in their property.

Last Thursday evening, Feb. 4th, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Evans entertained a number of friends at The Cutcrop Palace. The occasion being their fifteenth wedding anniversary. The evening was passed in card-playing and dancing, the music being supplied by Mrs. G. A. Starkel's gramaphone and Mr. S. Brewer with the violin. The enjoyment being sufficient to keep the guests going until 3 a.m., when the party broke up by singing, "For they are jolly good fellows" and cheers. Many handsome and costly gifts were received by Mrs. Evans, consisting of 55 presents of crystal and cut-glass, while many more have since been received from friends in the east and other places who were unable to attend, all of which are highly appreciated by the recipients and will be kept and valued as a tokens of true friendship and kindness. The only regrets were those of the host and hostess, who are sorry the Palace is not larger that the invitations might have been more numerous than they were.

Hamilton Spectator: A gentleman residing in London, England, writes to the Spectator, offering his services as correspondent at very reasonable terms: "On account of the smallness of the fee demanded, I should have to ask to be able to send the same copy to other papers which did not clash with yours, as, for instance, a paper circulating in the north of America would not clash with a paper circulating in the south." That's so—the Dawson News will not tread upon the toes of the Buenos Ayres Libertadpole; nor does the Quebec Chronicle interfere with the prestmen of the Terra del Fuego Blazer. But our esteemed London correspondent must have done some hard thinking in order to get the cone hard thinking in order to get the cone hard through his head that the north and south of America are not in the same township. He and his our London friend will know that the Vancouver Province is not delivered wet from the press to Halifax subscribers, the sending of published so.

VALUE OF TOURISTS

In Switzerland--A Great Opportunity Here

The opportunities for the development of the tourist trade in this country may be gauged in some respects by the following from the London Times:

So far we have only knowledge, and that of recent date, as to how many people visit the Alps annually for mountaineering purposes. In July of last year a Berne physician made the necessary statistical inquiries, and established the fact that about one hundred thousand people go each year to the Alps. But, of course, as the doctor then pointed out these figures form only a small part of the total number of annual visitors to Switzerland. Herr Freuler's carefully compiled statistics show that the actual number is no fewer than 300,000. It must, however, be borne in mind that Freuler's figures apply only to those who visit Switzerland for curative or recreative purposes. Further, we are also informed as to the average length of sojourn of each visitor, which, to put it briefly, amounts to from two to three weeks, thus making a total of seven or eight million days which visitors spend in Switzerland annually. The most interesting part of Herr Freuler's essay is that which refers to the financial and economical side of the hotel and similar businesses in Switzerland.

According to Herr Freuler the total amount of money paid over to proprietors of hotels and pensions in the course of a year is between eighty-six and ninety-eight million francs, about 20 per cent of which comes from the pockets of the native population. We see, therefore, that foreign visitors spend about three million pounds sterling for board and lodging, and it is further calculated that they disburse sixteen to eighteen million francs—say £675,000—to the railway companies, steamboat proprietors and owners of vehicles. Against this total sum of £4,475,000 we have to place an expenditure on the part of the caterers, railway companies, of at least £2,000,000. Herr Freuler goes on to point out that from this gross profit of £2,475,000 as much as £1,300,000 has to be deducted for depreciation and improvements, and that consequently the net profit on the capital outlay, which he estimates at a sum amounting to over 550 million francs, is decidedly small. It follows, therefore, as he says, that visitors travel and are entertained very cheaply in Switzerland, and he goes on to remark:

"It must, however, be remembered, that there are frequent, and on some occasions considerable fluctuations in prices, according to the season; that the demands made by visitors are not always justifiable; that various companies offering facilities for touring produce an unhealthy competition, based on thoughtlessness and want of business principle; and, further, that the competitive envy of some restaurant keepers leads to catering which is not in keeping with honest management.

For the reception of visitors there are, according to the author, 1,806 hotels, pensions and private lodging-houses, which together contain 204,800 beds. Having circularized all these places, the statistician is able to say that 915 of them that are open all the year round only contain 42,000 beds. He also inquired as to the number of people employed at these hotels and pensions, and found that 22,000 are given full occupation, and that a further 5,000 are required irregularly, there being almost equal numbers of both sexes. There is, therefore, on an average, one servant to every four beds. On the whole, the hotel business gives direct or indirect employment to between 32,000 and 35,000 people at the height of the season, whose wages amount to from nine to eleven million francs, exclusive of both their board and residence, which Freuler estimates at from 7,500,000 to 8,500,000 francs, and of gratuities, which amount to as large a sum as from 3,500,000 to 4,000,000 francs.

As regards the nationality of the attendants, the author was able to ascertain that, with the exception of a small number—about 3,500—they are all Swiss born. These figures alone are sufficient to show to what an enormous extent the financial and economical position of Switzerland is dependent upon the presence of foreign visitors.

If Sahara Were a Sea

French engineers have declared it is perfectly feasible to convert the desert of Sahara into a vast lake, thus opening to commerce great regions of the interior of Africa, which can now only be reached by long, tedious and dangerous caravan journeys. They say that a large portion of the desert lies below the level of the Atlantic, and that by digging a canal to let in the waters of the ocean the great change could be effected easily and at a cost which would be small compared to the benefits which would accrue.

If the whole desert lay below the level of the Atlantic the flooding of it would create a sea more than four times as big as the Mediterranean; but as the Sahara is composed of elevated plateaus, mountain ranges and depressions, only a part would be covered with water when the waves of the ocean were let in, and the new sea thus formed would be an irregular body of water, probably of about the same size as the Mediterranean. Great commercial cities would at once spring up on its shores and trade and civilization strike at once to the heart of Africa. The sea of Sahara may never become a reality, but in any event, it is a gigantic, pleasing dream.

FROM THE WASTE DUMP

Consider this, your goodness is of no use if you are not good to others. The good of goodness is that you can wrap others inside of it.

The joy that is not increased by sharing it with another is not yet the purest; the sorrow that is diminished by recounting it to another is not yet the truest.

Perseverance is more prevailing than violence; and many things which cannot be overcome when they are together, yield themselves up when taken little by little.

In life troubles will come which look as if they would never pass away. The night and the storm look as if they would last for ever, but the calm and the morning cannot be stopped.

Exercise, mental occupation, fresh air, moderate eating and avoidance of excesse of all kinds, either of activity or of idleness—these are the brakes on the wheel of time which prevent a precipitate rush into old age.

The gold of life does not lie hidden in any mines—it sparkles in tiny sands all along the common path of every day. He who only gathers it bit by bit from daily duties and pleasures and opportunities and friendships will find himself the possessor of the real treasure at last.

If you wish never to be nervous, live with reason; have a purpose in life, and work for it; play joyously; strive not for the unattainable; never regret the unalterable; be not annoyed by trifles; aim to attain neither great knowledge nor great riches, but unlimited common sense; be not selfcentred, but love the good and thy neighbor as thyself.

One of the most beautiful things about Frances Willard, the great temperance reformer, was her calm way of ignoring differences of belief in all those that were working in any way for the good of the world. When some worker would differ from her she would say: "Never mind, we can go a long way together." That would be a good motto for all Christians in their relations with one another.

Old, But Good.—An Ohio exchange gets off this one. A preacher used to tell the following: He said he was in Appanoose count, Iowa, preaching on one occasion, when he stopped at a farm house to get dinner. While eating, the lady enquired his business and he replied: "I am hunting the lost sheep of the house of Israel." She left the house and in a few minutes returned with her husband and said: "This man is hunting lost sheep and I'll bet that old long wool ram that been around is his'n." "No, sister; you don't unnerstand me. I'm hunting sinners; those for whom Christ died." "And is he dead?" she queried. "Yes," replied the minister astonished at her ignorance. "And buried, too, I reckon?" "O, yes; long ago." "There, now, old man; I told you we'd die in ignorance for not takin' a newspaper."

WHY PA IS ON THE FENCE

(With apologies to S. E. Kiser.)

The pictures of the candidates are hung in every where;
They're gettin' up processions, and there's music in the air;
The banners stretch across the streets most every block or so;
The papers they are tellin' how the election's sure to go;
Some of them say that Mackintosh's vote is bound to be immense,
Some say that Gallifet's got it sure—but pa, he's on the fence!

They're holdin' meetin's in the halls and every where around,
And men are flockin' there in droves and gettin' held spellbound;
They talk about tariff and the dangers it would bring,
The orators jump up and down and jaw like anything;
The folks are mad and shakin' fists; mighty says the strain's intense,
For election ain't so far away—but pa, he's on the fence!

The Joneses they's Conservatives, the Smiths are red hot Grits,
They used to run together, now they give each other fits;
They talk about prosperity and about the surplus too,
They scold about the tariff and how the debt still grew;
But pa he runs a grocery, and he says there ain't no sense
In gettin' one side mad at you—so he keeps on the fence.

The $500 poll tax designed to keep out the Chinese is proving effective Not one Chink entered Canada during last month.

The main water pipe to the Hotel Delphine has been frozen for a week, but the work done proves that the trouble is between the hotel and E. J. Scovil's residence and will soon be remedied.

The ore from the Paradise mine continues to come down steadily and many hundred sacks are already in the warehouse at the Wilmer river landing. A week ago Alex. Ritchie brought down 100 sacks from Pinhurst in one load, which is an exceptionally heavy load.

GOLDEN NUGGETS

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Golden, B.C., Feb. 6.—

Today's passenger train from the east is held at Laggan, on account of the blizzard which is blowing from Golden east. The eastbound train is held at Golden until the Rotary comes through.

F. W. Jones, manager of the Columbia River Lumber Co., at Golden, and G. P. Wells, of Palliser, have gone east to Winnipeg to attend a meeting of the Lumberman's Association.

The Calgary and Revelstoke curlers, who attended the bonspiel held here on Monday and Tuesday last, returned to their homes taking with them some very fine trophies, which they won. The "Smoker", given Monday evening in the Columbia Hall, was well attended and an enjoyable time was had.

H. G. Gordon left on Wednesday for Calgary. Having received word his brother, Captain Gordon, was very ill.

Jos. Lake, of Athalmer, arrived in town Friday and leaves Sunday for home with G. Hogan.

R. S. Gallop has returned from a trip to the east, and leaves for Canterbury on Sunday.

J. Wrenn and W. Skelton arrived in town last night from Revelstoke.

Word was received by W. J. Gould today that the body of his son-in-law, W. McIntyre, had been found near McLeod, N.W.T. It will be remembered Mrs. McIntyre was visiting her father in September when her little child died. Mr. McIntyre arrived in Golden then, and has since been travelling through the Territories buying up wheat. For about two months no word has been heard from him, although the police have been searching for some trace of him. There were no particulars given in the telegram excepting that his body had been found.

Mrs. J. N. Taylor left yesterday for Revelstoke.

Hon. F. W. Aylmer has returned from a trip to Revelstoke and other western points.

Mrs. Geo. Wells, of Palliser, and Miss E. Fields, of Field, were in town this week.

A Winnipeg dispatch says Mr. F. W. Jones, manager of Columbia River Lumber Co., at Golden, B.C., and party of fellow lumbermen from the Pacific province, are in the city, but would not state the nature of their business. In speaking old days when he was in Winnipeg, Mr. Jones mentioned many names of men who were brother officials and expressed his pleasure at the well deserved promotion of Mr. Wm. Whyte to the position he now occupies at the head of C.P.R. affairs in the west. Mr. Jones states that the year 1903 was a most prosperous one for the lumber trade in British Columbia. Many mills were built and they were not all at the "Jackknife" stamp, but several very large concerns were started. "We can now," said Mr. Jones, "turn out from British Columbia, in the cutting and from the mills, more lumber than will be required for many years to come. The erection of new homes and business places brought about by the incoming settlers and the great progress made by trade in the west, has been responsible for the increase." Mr. Jones is now an enthusiastic B.C. man, and will talk with astonishment of the business and resources of to-day.

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WILMER, B.C., THURSDAY, FEB. 11, 1904.

Scientific Miscellany.

The X-rays of R. Blondlot should interest us especially because they are so common about us. They were discovered while the light from a Welsbach burner was being concentrated by a quartz lens on a sulphide of calcium screen, the lens causing the luminosity of the screen to persist after the light was removed. They are now known to exist not only in the incandescent gas but also in the ordinary gas flame burning without a chimney, and in the radiation from a red-hot plate of silver of tale, and they excite radioactivity in various substances, such as a plate of lead. The invisible rays can be detected by the slight increase of luminosity of a phosphorescent screen or of a very small gas flame. These rays seem to be given off by the human body, and D'Arsonval has shown that a screen of platinocyanide of barium, made slightly luminous by radium, lights up on approach to a muscle, and is so sensitive that it can show the course of a nerve under the skin.

Brain substances, Von Riemssen has shown, is the best conductor of electricity in the body—about 3,000 time more conducting than muscle. Investigating the action of the currents, S. Leduc concludes that electricity is avoided in the treatment of brain disease on account of an exaggeratd notion of the dangers, but that when properly applied, from back to front, the currents are not only harmless but beneficial. When a continuous current is passed from ear to ear the effect is different, giddiness being produced, with an apparent whirling round of all objects. Sleep may be produced, and for this the best arrangement is a current of four milliamperes at 30 volts, interrupted 100 times per second for nine-tenths of the period of interruption. Speech disappears first, then the motor faculties. Respiration and pulse are unaffected, but may be temporarily or finally stopped by a more powerful current. Awakening is instantaneous, the after-effect being one of refreshment.

By an ingenious arrangement C. Fabry has diminished the sun's light by passage through a slit and then through an ammoniacal solution of copper sulphate, and has compared it with a light of known candle-power. He concludes that, with the sun at zenith, the solar light at sea-level is more that 100,000 times that of a standard candle at a distance of one meter. The intensity of light at the sun's surface is about ten times as great for the same area as that in the electric arc.

Suggestive at least are the conclusions of Hon. R. J. Strutt, of Bath, Eng. Helium—which Sir Wm. Ramsay has found to be slowly given off by radium—exists in the gases of the city's largest hot mineral spring, and a test of the deposit in the spring has revealed a small proportion of radium. It is believed that these substances are brought up from a large deposit of radium deep in the earth.

Paper car-wheels, made by a pressure from rye-straw paper, are usually in condition for a second set of steel tires after the first set is worn out by a run of 300,000 miles.

A rabid party-line exchange says that if the country had proper legislation and a proper press thousands of men would be employed in Kootenay today instead of hundreds—how very sad.

While it is true that the Legislature has made some mistakes concerning the mining industry and are taxing it more than it should be in its infancy, still the mistakes can be remedied, and the press has not been slow in pointing it out at all times.

The mining business, particularly in its infancy, is largely made up of hope and the man who is not of a sanguine disposition should not follow either the business of mining or of running a newspaper in a mining country, because he is out of his element and cannot bear with philosophy the ups and downs incident to a life in a mining section.

So far as the press generally is concerned it has been as faithful, as true and as devoted to the best interests of the mining industry as it is possible for it to be. No good that it could do for it has been overlooked and it has subordinated every other feature of its news to give prominence to anything that it thought would aid in the advancement of the industry. Even though the press has been refused admittance to the miners meeting and they have seen fit to withhold news of importance to the public from the press, yet immediately after these same men have asked for and been given columns upon columns of space, in the very same papers, in which they have been glad to air their troubles and seek the benefits of the press as a medium.

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And further take notice that action under section 37 must be commenced before the issuance of such Certificate of Improvements.

Dated this 15th day of October, 1903.

HAROLD E. FORSTER.

NOTICE.

TO DELINQUENT CO-OWNER OF THE "TECUMSEH" MINERAL CLAIM.

To HARRY MATHER, or any person or persons to whom he may have assigned his interest in the "Tecumseh" mineral claim situated on Macdonald creek, a tributary of Horsethief creek, in the Windermere Mining Division of Portlock Colonists.

You are hereby notified that I, the undersigned, have expended the sum of $97.50 in labor and improvements upon the said "Tecumseh" mineral claim under the provisions of the Mineral Act, and if within ninety days from the date of this notice you fail or refuse to contribute the sum of $102.50, our portion of such expenditure, together with all costs of advertising, your interest in the said mineral claim will become the property of the undersigned, under Section 4 of the Act entitled "An Act to Amend the Mineral Act," 1900.

Dated at Wilmer, B.C., the 9th day of November, 1903.

WILLIAM HAUPT.

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WHEN MOTHER GOES

When mother goes a-visiting,
There's lots uv things to do,
An' fur a week or so ahead
She's in a reg'lar stew.
She says she's got to clean the house,
An' labors night an' day
At cleanin', scrubbin', pickin' up,
Afore she goes away.

She goes up in the garret fust,
An' keeps a-workin' down,
An' cleans down to the cellar shelves,
An' does the thing up brown.
Poor pa, he don't know what to do,
Jes' worries night and day;
Ma says he ain't no good to help
Afore she goes away.

We live a week on "picked-up" meals
"Hard pickin', too," says pa;
An' then he trembles at the look
Uv scorn he gets from ma.
Pa drives her to the railroad train,
A-feelin' fur from gay;
An' by and by the train comes in,
An' ma, she goes away.

An' then we find our trouble jes'
Begin that very day;
An' things ma baked to last a month
Like bubbles fade away.
An' soon we live from hand to mouth,
An' pine an' all grow thin;
An' we are tickled most to death
When ma comes home ag'in.

—Joe Cone, in Flood Topics.

Port Arthur owns an electric railway built to the sister town of Fort William a distance of 7½ miles; it has developed the power of Current river, and utilized the power to operate the electric railway, pump the town water, and operate an electric lighting plant which lights the streets and furnishes electric lights at a low rate to the citizens. These enterprises are now on a paying basis—that is, they are self-supporting, which in such a small community as Port Arthur is rather remarkable. Even if there were a substantial deficit in the operation of the combined services, the people could easily stand it, for they enjoy the advantages of lower railway fares than those paid on any other electric railway in Canada—probably in America—besides very low rates for electric lighting and water service. The town has also installed a municipal telephone service, and furnishes instruments at $1 a month in house services and $2 a month in business places.

Another On Kansas

The Kansas legislature, says an exchange, has declared against hoochie koochee dances and smoke eating.

This news will be received with sorrow by the order of grafters throughout the country. Kansas was one of the most promising fields of operation. When an enterprising member of the profession got cleaned out in a poker game he could hire two or three female questionable characters, rent some vacant building, sow some "gunny sacks" together for a curtain and announce to the geezers on the outside that the fair Iris and Fatima, two celebrated "French beauties" would give a series of "living pictures" and his fortune was made. Lots of bystanders might be short on flour and bacon, but what of that? They could do without them both. What they needed was a squint at those pictures. The fakir left town in a few days with a good stake, while a good many fellows that helped furnish the money, continued to stay in town without any steak, at all. Then if the busted grafter was real cute he'd come back to the same town with Bosco, who was captured by a Norwegian sea captain on the coast of Australia, while banqueting off the gory bodies of a half a dozen poisonous reptiles. If Bosco ever saw Australia it was on the map of the Pacific ocean when he was studying geography in the little red school. When he isn't "eating snakes" he's hitting the back doors for handouts. And just to think, the Kansas legislature means to take away the chance of such unlucky wights to make a few honest dollars! Why haven't they got just as good a right to their trade as has Carrie Nation? This is class legislation of the grossest type.

Uncle Joe—If you keep on, Harry, you'll soon know as much as the teacher.

Harry—Huh! I'd know as much now if I had the hair before me all the time like she does.

Street English.—The man on the street speaks a rapid-transit language that is sometimes hard to recognize. Here is a specimen preserved for the museum by The Chicago Tribune:—

"Wossatchoogot?"
"Afnoonkicker. Lassdition."
"Taykut. Nuthinut."
"H'm! Payreezgrain."
"Yeh. Icanaliztellwenrainscummin'. Can-choo?"
"Naw. How?"
"Bone-zake."
"'Squeer!"

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White Cat.....	2,000	
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A Great Theatrical Performance Next Tuesday Eve

The Windermere Amateur Theatricals have for sometime been studying hard to put on the boards a first-class show and now they announce that they are prepared to entertain the public next Tuesday evening—February 16th —in the Windermere Hall. "Dearest Mama" is the title of the play that the curtain will rise on promptly at 8:30 that evening, any person who intends to observe Lent before that season is due should not attend, but those who want to have one more good laugh and to start the solomn season with aching sides are guaranteed the sensation. The company has also been requested to reproduce "Limerick Bhoy", which was so well received a year ago, and have decided to comply with the request. Programs and ticktes are being printed, the admission price to be, adults 50 cents and childern over 12 years 25 cents. Below is a cast of the two plays:

Cast of "Dearest Mama":

Harry Clinton	(Newly Married)	Mr. B. H. Washburn
Edith Clinton	(His Wife)	Mrs. B. H. Washburn
Mrs. Honeywood	(Edith's School Friend)	Mrs. R. W. Patmore
Mr. Croker	(Friend to Harry)	Mr. E. N. Russell
Mr. Browser	(Uncle to Harry)	Mr. John Bulman
Mrs Breezely Fussell	**(Dearest Mama)**	**Mrs. R. A. Kimpton**
Jones	(Servant)	Mr. L. A. Bulman

Cast of "Limerick Bhoy":

Paddy Miles	(The Limerick Bhoy)	Mr. V. F. Dunn
Dr. Coates		Mr. John Bulman
Harry Coates	(The Doctor's Son)	Mr. S. Hewetson
Job	(The Gardner)	Mr. P. Hart
Reuben		Mr. L. A. Bulman
Mrs. Fidget		Mrs. R. A. Kimpton
Jane	(Her Daughter)	Mrs. R. W. Patmore

Croppings

Geo. Rice has been suffering with a bad attack of la grippe.

With the thermometer anchored at several degrees below zero in New York the Portland Telegram feels that it must keep Morgan and the rest busy preventing their watered stock from freezing.

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Under the heading "Observations by The Old Man" the Cranbrook Herald remarks: "A certain lady in this town is wearing hand painted hosiery." The Old Man must be a mighty close observer and if he keeps along like this there is no telling where his observations may lead to or what the result will be. Be careful Old Man. There are lots of people who prefer whipping an editor to eating, even if the editor is ancient.

Wonder if The Old Man expects ... renders to observe everything he does?

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